

**TOWN OF BARRINGTON
PLANNING BOARD**

Minutes of the February 7, 2012 Meeting

7:00 p.m., Town Council Chamber

Open Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m.

Present: Michael McCormick ¡V Chairman, Michael Carroll, Seth Milman,

Christine O'Grady, Jean Robertson, Ann Strong, Ina Suuberg and Lawrence Trim

Absent: Edgar Adams

Also Present: Solicitor Andrew Teitz, Town Planner Philip Hervey and Secretary Valerie Carroll

Consent Agenda

Ms. Suuberg moved to approve the Consent Agenda, which included to following item:

„« Approve Minutes: January 4, 2012 Regular Business Meeting ¡V As written

Ms. Strong seconded the motion and it carried unanimously (8-0).

Public Hearings

None

Old Business

None

New Business

**Administrative Subdivision - Soper - 395 and 403 Sowams Road
Assessor's Plat 31, Lots 56, 369**

Due to the fact that there was no one to speak for the application, Ms. Strong moved to continue the application to the March 6, 2012 meeting. Ms. Robertson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously (6-0).

Reports & Special Items

Review and Adopt Recommended Capital Improvement Program

Mr. Trim and Ms. Strong reviewed the proposed CIP requests that will be presented to the Appropriations Committee later this month. Ms. Strong moved to recommend the proposed CIP to the Manager with the following changes:

„« Include \$20,000 for large format scanner

„« Delete \$35,000 for Peck Center generator

„« Add \$20,000 for Comp Plan initiatives

- „« Add \$25,000 for Community Center study**
- „« Revise Senior Center furniture items to \$3,000**
- „« Provide funding for sewer project requests**
- „« Add sidewalks to streets and drainage bond**

Mr. Milman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously (8-0).

Ms. O'Grady excused herself at 8:50 p.m.

Upon further discussion of the Comprehensive Plan implementation process the Board wished to revisit the funding to include trail improvements. Mr. Carroll moved to reconsider the proposed Capital Improvements Program. Ms. Strong seconded the motion and it carried unanimously (7-0).

Ms. Strong moved to amend the CIP budget to add „Trail Improvements” to item B2, the Streets, Drainage and Sidewalks Bond. Mr. Milman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously (7-0).

Review Revisions to Land Development & Subdivision Regulations
This item was tabled until the Public Hearing.

Discuss Comprehensive Plan Implementation

The Board discussed conducting a neighborhood study in order to evaluate possible Zoning changes. Additionally the Board discussed

the need for trail improvements, in line with the concept of establishing and "emerald chain" throughout town.

Reports from Planning Board Members:

Housing Board of Trustees

Ms. Suuberg noted that marketing of the Walker Farm development was continuing. She also said that a representative from the East Bay Community Action program came to explain their assistance program for Rhode Islanders.

Committee for Renewable Energy in Barrington

Mr. Carroll stated that the Committee has heard a proposal for an electric car charging station to be located on government property.

Open Space Ad Hoc Committee

None

Police Cove Park Committee

Mr. Hervey said that the Committee would be meeting again on February 29th.

Technical Review Committee

None

Harbor Commission

Ms. Strong said Brian Hunt is now the chairman of the Harbor Commission.

Capital Improvement Program Subcommittee

No additional reports.

Comments - Board Members, Council Liaison & Town Planner

There were no additional comments.

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Ms. Strong, with a second by Ms. Robertson, the Board unanimously (7-0) voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m.